

Preliminary Amendment  
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**REMARKS**

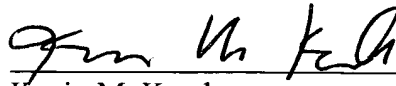
Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the specification and claims by the current amendment. The attached page is captioned "VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE".

Applicant has amended the specification and abstract to comport with United States Patent and Trademark Office Rules. In addition, Applicant has amended the claims to eliminate multiple dependency and to comport with U.S. practice, which is totally unrelated to patentability. No new matter is added.

In view of the above, it is respectfully believed that all the presently submitted claims are allowable and a Formal Notice of Allowance is courteously solicited. It is believed that the application is in condition for allowance, however, if the Examiner feels otherwise, a telephone interview is respectfully requested. An early notice of allowance is solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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**VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE**

Following is a marked-up version of the Specification with all changes shown by conventional comparison (underlining and bracketing):

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